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monies adversely affects many millions of people throughout the Empire. The Chamber has also requested me to bring the question of Bank-note issues before Your Excellency. We are aware that in answer to your former representations on the subject, the Chinese Government has intimated that the subject is under consideration. The Chamber would, however, respectfully point out that the delay in taking effective measures to deal with this important question must inevitably increase the difficulties and dangers of the financial situation. We fear that unless sound measures are taken to regulate the issue, both of bank-notes and copper-cash, a financial crisis of not a panic will be brought about, but one of a more serious nature, and the further issues of bank-notes and copper-cash should be immediately suspended.

Now, not the least curious of this very curious tale remains behind. For reasons of its own Peking has been rather over-anxious to throw the entire blame of the wholesale debauchery of the currency back on the Provinces; in its affected purity of intention—which, for a considerable time did, there is no doubt, succeed in bamboozling the financial world—it had been, it assured the Representatives of the Powers at Peking, engaged in the work of reforming the Currency, and had given its instructions accordingly to the provincial authorities; but those wicked Provincials had made the whole affair a matter of private gain, and had disarranged its best endeavours for the financial regeneration of the Empire! As a field for exploitation the financial world had, in fact, not yet given up China; there were scores of possibilities yet available for gouging an innocent public, and it was not convenient that too much light should be thrown on the dealings of the late EMPRESS Dowager and her worthy minion the "false" Eunuch LI LIENYING. The new REGENT it was who first raised a corner of the veil. Finding an impoverished E. exchequer, and a deceased ex-REGENT to be buried, the happy thought struck him to make the deceased's estate bear the burden. The new EMPRESS Dowager, within whose Department came the funeral rites to her late husband, and who tears no goodwill to wards the memory of the woman whom she looks upon as the murderer of her lord, was not backward in taking the hint; and an investigation into the secret hoard of the late amiable Dowager has been the result, and throws a lurid light on the methods of the late Regency. At the beginning of his little struggle with Japan, it may be remembered, the TSAR of Russia invited certain intimate friends to have a glance within his own private treasury, and the friend related with evident mouth-watering the numberless shelves, all piled with boxes said to be full of the yellow metal, which were disclosed to his view. Not much less than the alleged, but uncounted store of the TSAR, has been found the accumulated squandrels of the late Dowager, accumulated by it remembered during a period of more than ordinarily advertised poverty. The result in round numbers is reckoned at nineteen million taels of gold, and nine hundred and ninety million taels of silver,—which turned into sterling at the exchange of the day would be the equivalent of some two hundred and sixteen million pounds sterling! or within twenty millions of one-third of the accumulated national debt of Great Britain. Two hundred and sixteen millions sterling; and withal not enough to pay her own funeral expenses! Such was the financial position of the Chinese Empire as represented by the friends and admirers of the late Regency.

Now, of course, speculations on such a magnificent scale would have been impossible without confederates, and the late Dowager's share of the swag only represents one, though possibly the largest, share in the plundering that has been keeping the Imperial finances of China on the grindstone for the last forty years. People whose memories are long enough will remember how on the outbreak of the Japan war, some fifteen years ago, the fleet was provided through the acquisitive instincts of the Dowager and her then henchman LI HUI CHANG with shells loaded with coal dust, and paper crews to fire them. Naturally with the loss of Formosa, and practically of Shengking and Manchuria, that game came to an end, but reform of the Currency came to supply the waning grist. The new scheme indicated no want of financial talent; indeed could not have presented itself to anyone except one thoroughly skilled in the art. The Provinces were to be given the hint of how much profit they could make out of the issue of a "reformed" cash currency; everyone knew how defective was the old, and how short was the actual stock in hand. If they got out machinery and turned out to a uniform pattern new copper pieces, they could make a profit of fifty per cent, and for a consideration Peking was prepared to grant the necessary authorisation; this was important, as at the same time profit could be made, and the Foreign Powers who were pressing for improved currency could be hoodwinked.

The scheme succeeded beyond the most sanguine hopes of its proposer; so well indeed that the Dowager began to think that with all her cleverness, she had let the provinces in for quite too good a thing. Some limits had been spoken of in the first instance, there might be good enough for the Provinces; but the Dowager was not going to hamper herself, so provided that the extra money came in quick no questions would be asked. Of course, in China there is no account taken of these things, and care is taken to obliterate all traces; but of one thing there is no doubt, and that is that the debased cash coinage has formed no inconsiderable portion of the little hoard of the 216 millions—how much neither we nor anyone else will ever know. But if the lion's share of the swag went to the Dowager, there is no little doubt that a sufficient share to satisfy the most exacting went to the confederates in the game. Doubtless with her peculiar talent of acquisitiveness much of this went back as hushmoney to the Dowager herself; but there must have been much shroffage on the way, and though a few have been made to discharge, there are yet a few millions to be had in certain slums in or about the capital which it would be quite feasible to enquire about. And herein lies the great obstacle in the path of any possible reform. Everyone who has touched the filthy lucre has de facto a personal interest in concealing the traces of the crime, and finds himself ranged on the side of obstruction. Even the representatives of the Powers who had it in their power to see these things, but preferred in the face of their own particular schemes to keep their eyes closed, would under the new conditions not altogether care to be reminded of their shortcomings; so that altogether Peking is wrapped up in a conspiracy of silence. And if the case be so with the debased coinage which has already descended to the attolers of the professional coiner, how much more so may it be expected to be with regard to the banks which have been more recently flooding the market with their notes? Peking has already had time to have these under "discussion," and there is little reason to doubt with the usual result. The banks have already had time to follow the immemorial custom of greasing the hand that has had the power to hinder them; the rest has followed the usual routine of human nature, and Chinese human nature in particular, and Peking has anticipated its share of the hoped-for plunder, and stands committed in advance.

Chambers of Commerce and Bank Directors may beat out their brains against the iron bars of the inevitable, but the foundations of corruption in China are too deeply laid, and the superedifices too strongly built for it to be upset for many a generation yet—till in effect a people by no means devoid of astuteness has come to learn the practical lesson that national dishonesty, any more than personal dishonesty, does not pay.

The present pupils of Queen's College have subscribed \$250 towards the proposed memorial to Dr. Wright, their former Head Master.

It is reported that Mr. C. W. Kinder, the general manager of the Imperial Chinese Railways, will be employed in London as Adviser on Loans at a salary of £1,000 per annum.—The Times.

A Japanese naval training squadron, consisting of the cruisers Aso (formerly the Bayan) and Sogo (formerly the Vorog), with a number of naval cadets on board will visit Esquimaux, Vancouver, from May 12 to May 22.

The Hungarian clerk whose extradition is sought by the Government of the Netherlands Indies to answer a charge of embezzling seven thousand guilders, was again placed before Mr. J. H. Kemp at the Magistracy yesterday and remanded for a week.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks, the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—

O. Kitchell 325
Mrs. Ma Piu 20

The return of visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum for the week ending the 25th April, 1909, shows that of non-Chinese there were 414 to the Library and 217 to the Museum, and of Chinese 126 to the former and 2428 to the latter. The Library was, therefore, used by 540 persons and the Museum by 2,645.

Before Mr. F. A. Hazland at the Magistracy yesterday three bootmen were charged with assaulting a fourth. After hearing the evidence his Worship bound all the parties over in the sum of \$100 to be of good behaviour for twelve months. The complainant asked his Worship to extend the time, to three years, but the Magistracy considered that twelve months would meet the case.

The harbour at Shantian has of late been disturbed by the cries of night hawks. The police have taken note of complaints against these people, and yesterday Inspector Collett placed five boatmen before Mr. F. A. Hazland at the Magistracy on charges of having unlawfully used boats and having without licence. They were found guilty and ordered to pay a fine of \$6 apiece, \$3 on each charge.

The Hippodrome Circus and Menagerie arrived safely by the mail steamer Oceanica yesterday, after a most successful stay in Saigon. The opening night in Hongkong is definitely fixed for tomorrow, at 9 p.m. We understand that arrangements have been made for a special tram service to and from the Circus.

The Hongkong Daily Press Cup will be presented to the Hongkong Football League's afternoon at the Y.M.C.A. rooms, and afterwards by Mr. B. A. Hale, on behalf of the League, to the Bulls, who have secured the premier position in the League. The Royal Engineers are the runners up.

Mr. J. S. Dobie, the Hongkong Agent of the Chinese Engineering and Mining Co., Ltd., informs us that he is in receipt of advice that the total output of the Company's three mines for the week ending 10th April amounted to 28,746.31 tons, and the sales during the period to 25,668.39 tons.

An Extraordinary Embassy, headed by General Palitzyn, a member of the Council of the Empire, was to leave St. Petersburg in the middle of April for Peking, in order to attend on May 1 the ceremony of the formal translation of the body of the late Emperor of China to the mausoleum, which has been erected for it.

The number of cases of plague notified in the colony since January 1st reached 40 yesterday, when two cases were reported from Yau-mai. Last week's total was five, three being fatal. Of the forty cases, thirty-two have proved fatal. The returns of communicable disease for the past week show besides the plague cases, three of enteric fever, two of these being Europeans "imported." There were also two cases of puerperal fever and one of small-pox.

A native who has disobeyed four orders of banishment was charged before Mr. J. H. Kemp at the Magistracy yesterday with returning from exile, and with attempting to break from a cell in which he was placed at the Central Police Station. He was found guilty on both counts, sentenced to ten months' imprisonment and four hours' stocks on the first, and fined \$25, in default six weeks' imprisonment, on the second.

Replying to a question put to him in the House of Commons Mr. Buchanan said it was decided in 1906, on grounds of general policy, that it was inexpedient to ask the Tibetan Government for facilities for British explorers in Tibet. The notes appended to the Anglo-Russian Convention were in accordance with the policy of that decision. The only application received by the Secretary of State since the date of the Convention was necessarily refused.

A ticket seller employed by the Star Ferry Co. was charged before Mr. F. A. Hazland at the Magistracy yesterday with stealing an Indian's purse, which contained a number of Hongkong notes and some sovereigns. The story told by the complainant was that in a rush to catch a ferry he left his purse in front of defendant's window. He only realised his loss after the ferry had pushed off, and then observed the defendant pick up his purse. He returned to the Hongkong shore by the next boat and claimed his valuables, but the defendant denied all knowledge of the purse. After hearing the evidence his Worship discharged the defendant.

Mr. H. W. Kilby of the International Bank who has been for several years stationed at Yokohama has been transferred to Hongkong and is due here in a few days. The Japan Gazette referring to the transfer says:—Mr. Kilby has for several years been actively identified with several public organisations in Yokohama. For two years he commanded the local Company of the Boys' Brigade after the departure from the port of Mr. L. D. Tebb. Mr. Kilby has for some years taken an active part in cricket, being one of the most energetic and enthusiastic members of the Y.C. & A.C., and only a month ago was elected to the Committee as captain of cricket for the ensuing year. At the present time he holds the post of Honorary Treasurer of the Yokohama and Tokyo branch of the Royal Society of St. George. One of Yokohama's "boys" Mr. Kilby has been closely identified with several public organisations of the port during the past few years, and on his departure for Hongkong will carry with him the hearty good wishes of many friends for future success in his professional career.

The rise in Langkats which took place last Monday caused considerable sensation on the Stock Exchange at Shanghai and generally throughout the community, the Mercury says. They jumped from Ts 920 cash on Saturday the 18th inst to Ts 1100. All manner of rumours gained currency regarding the reason for the extraordinary advance, and without expressing any views as to their accuracy our contemporary mentions that widest of the lot is that diamonds have been discovered on the Langkat estate, but the one which seems to have gained greatest currency is that the last find of oil has turned out much better than was anticipated. Another rumour is that the Standard Oil Co. is making negotiations for the purchase of the company. Apart from these stories the belief is general that the jump is a consequence of speculation on Exchange.

In Messrs. Erich, George and Co.'s share report published on Saturday it is mentioned that the directors of the Langkat Company state that, according to a telegram received from Langkat, hole No. 94, on the Darat fields has been opened up and proves to be an exceptionally productive well. "Further information regarding this matter will be issued to shareholders by circular as soon as possible."

TELEGRAMS.

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THE WAR IN TURKEY.

THE DEFEAT OF THE LOYALISTS.

LONDON, April 25th

It appears that operations began on Sunday night (the 19th inst), the Constitutionalists occupying the heights around Yildiz and opening fire at five o'clock the following morning.

They encountered little resistance until they approached Tashkisha and Taxim, which the Loyalists obstinately held.

The battle raged for three hours around Taxim, and there was hand-to-hand fighting. Finally the place was captured.

The number of killed at Taxim alone is reported to be a thousand.

The Garrison at Yildiz surrendered and laid down their arms. A portion of the Garrison had previously crossed to Scutari, making for Selimieh barracks, which the Loyalists still hold, and against which a strong force of the Salonikan troops have been dispatched.

No mention is made of the Sultan, but it is reported that torpedo destroyers are patrolling the Bosphorus to prevent him escaping to Scutari.

LONDON, April 26th.

The occupants of Selimieh Barracks, to the number of four thousand, surrendered to overwhelming odds. The whole city of Constantinople is now in the hands of the Constitutionalists.

The Sultan, who has remained cool and collected throughout, promises not to leave the Yildiz.

AFFAIRS IN PERSIA.

LONDON, April 26th.

The Shah has consented to an indefinite prolongation of the armistice at Tabriz. The Shah and the Constitutionalists are equally dismayed at the prospect of the armed intervention of Russia.

A Reuter's message from Tehran states that two thousand Russian troops with two batteries of artillery are starting from Tiflis and marching towards Tabriz.

BULGARIA'S INDEPENDENCE.

LONDON, April 26th.

Great Britain, France and Russia have now recognised the kingdom of Bulgaria.

STEAMER ASHORE AT LINTIN.

Early yesterday morning the Hamburg-America Line's steamer Scandia, inward bound from Europe, grounded at the southern end of Lintin, about 20 miles from Hongkong, during the fog. The second officer came ashore and reported the matter at the office, and subsequently the tug David Gillies and several lighters went out to her assistance.

The Japanese steamer Soshu-maru also reported the accident, the Scandia having signalled her to do so. Captain Sugi, of the Soshu, states that the shore thereabouts is "all rock," and he thinks the ship would be heavily damaged.

THE WARD COMEDY COMPANY FAREWELL.

The crowded house at the Theatre last night when The Ward Comedy Co. gave their farewell performance was the best possible testimony of the high opinion the Hongkong public has formed of the Company during their fortnight's stay in the Colony. The programme last night embraced vaudeville and dramatic items, with a number of capital songs interspersed, and altogether afforded an excellent entertainment, and a fitting termination of a most successful season.

The "Scarecrow," a fantastic sketch based on the Comedy "The New Clown" was a much appreciated item, the make-up of Mr. Ward as the scarecrow being excellent. Part II of the programme was entirely of a vocal character, its principal feature being Miss Grace Palotta's singing of "O Listen to the Band," which met with a tremendous ovation. After being twice recalled Miss Palotta was presented with two bouquets of flowers.

The concluding item of the programme was a one-act drama called "The Vagabond," and as the curtain fell for the last time there was such a demonstration of applause as could have been left in the minds of the Company that their stay in Hongkong had been greatly enjoyed.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE CONDITION OF SHELLEY STREET.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG
DAILY PRESS"]

Hongkong, 25th April 1909.

SIR,—Several complaints have been made with regard to obstruction or nuisances in some streets of the Colony, and the authorities have readily taken due notice of them; but the repeated representations made in the local press about the dangerous and disgraceful state of Shelley Street have apparently been ignored. In rainy days how often have children frequenting the Anglo-Portuguese Schools and the Italian Convent had some nasty fall through the steepness and slippery character of this street from the Mosque down to the Lusitano Club? This is one of the oldest streets in the colony and what it requires is that "interlocaled" steps be made to mitigate its steepness, or at least that the large worn-out stones that cover the pavement shall be replaced. Anyhow something should be done at once for the convenience and safety of the many who pass up and down this thoroughfare. Thanking you for the insertion of this letter—Yours, &c.

PEDESTALIAN.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

MINUTE BY THE GOVERNOR.

The following minute has been addressed by H. E. the Governor to "the principal employers and others":

It is my earnest desire that the Hongkong Volunteer Corps should both by its numbers and by its efficiency be worthy to rank as an integral part of the defensive force of this Colony.

With regard to numbers the total strength stands at only 235, and I take this opportunity of appealing to the leading British citizens in this Colony to do their utmost both directly as regards themselves and their employees and indirectly by their influence and the weight of their opinion to endeavour to increase this number to a figure more in proportion to the British manhood of the Colony. I hope that steps recently taken may result in an increase of the number of Government Officials who are Volunteers.

As regards efficiency, it has been my aim since I have been in Hongkong to secure for the Hongkong Volunteer Corps a recognised place in the scheme of defence of the Colony to impress upon the Community that the Corps exists for a serious purpose, involving sacrifices of no small extent, both upon the individuals composing it and upon their employers.

The exigencies of the time demand a real sacrifice, and I am myself inclined to deprecate the multiplication of artificial incentives to effort in the shape of Cups and Prizes. A limited number of expert marksmen is not sufficient; we require in addition a body of serious men imbued with the vital necessity of defending this place on the outbreak of war and efficiently trained by a prolonged sacrifice of well-earned leisure in peace time, so that they may take their place in the fighting ranks when necessity may arise. We are all aware that in modern conditions but little time for preparation will be allowed when the crisis comes, and that the crisis itself will in all probability be sudden and unexpected. Those who have most stake in the Colony will be those who will lose most in case of a raid by hostile forces, and it is a measure of self-interest to do all that is possible to strengthen the defences.

In his report upon the Volunteer Corps for 1908-1909 the General Officer Commanding remarks as follows:—

"I recommend that future camps should be held in the New Territories for a week or eight days, and that endeavours should be made to get employers to allow men to be present continuously for at least three or four days of that time. If such a camp were run on lines which bore some resemblance to service conditions an economy could be effected and the training improved."

Upon this the Commandant of the Corps observes:—

"Since the last camp I have been considering the possibilities of holding future camps in the New Territories, and see no insuperable obstacle other than the difficulty of members obtaining sufficient leave from their employers to enable them to attend the camp for a useful period. It is hardly to be expected that firms in a place like Hongkong could follow, to the full extent, the patriotic example of a large number of home firms who are giving Volunteers three weeks' leave each year to attend camp; but I see no reason why they should not follow this example to a modified extent, and am of opinion that an appeal from His Excellency the Governor to the various firms pointing out the vital importance to the Colony of an efficient and efficient Volunteer Force would result in their being able to spare a portion of their Volunteer employees for half the week at a time. It would be impossible to hold the camp in the New Territories if the men had to return to their business in Hongkong during the day."

I appeal to you to render this proposal practicable by granting the requisite facilities to those in your employ, and I appeal to you also once more to do all in your power to increase the numbers of the Corps.

F. D. LUGARD,

Governor, &c.

Hongkong, 21st April, 1909.

The Emperor of Japan, anxious to display his gratitude for the attention extended to Prince Nashimoto of Japan during the year which the latter has spent in France completing his military training, directed the Japanese Ambassador in Paris to present the President of the Republic with a collection of gold laurel boxes ornamented with his Majesty's coat-of-arms. Baron Kurino, the Japanese Ambassador, has presented the boxes to President Fallieres, who appeared very much touched with the Emperor's attention. The Ambassador also called on the Minister for Foreign Affairs and on the Minister of War, and in the name of the Emperor presented each with a gold laurel box mounted with his Majesty's arms.

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MARRIAGE.

At Koba, on the 17th instant, JOHN JULIUS DARE, only son of the late JOHN CATTO ABELL, of Aberdeen, Scotland, to VERA, youngest daughter of the late Rev. J. L. ATKINSON, M.A., D.D. of Koba.

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, APRIL 27TH 1909.

SPEAKING at the Annual Meeting of the Shanghai General Chamber of Commerce, the Chairman, Mr. W. D. LITTLE, made the following remarks on the present condition of the Currency and the over-issue of notes and subsidiary coinage, which amply bear out our own remarks on the extremely dangerous position into which, under pretence of Reform, the whole subject has been permitted to drift:

I may perhaps be permitted to refer briefly to Currency reform; this deeply interesting question has had your Committee's earnest attention and continues to do so. The Chinese Government would appear desirous to move in the matter, but seem unable to command the provincial authorities. Coins are minted without adequate protection, or any effective control from the Central Power. Meanwhile a continual flow of paper reforms are published in the Peking Gazette. Mr. A. M. Marshall visited the capital last year, and recently Mr. F. Anderson, both members of our Committee. To these gentlemen our thanks are due for placing our views as to the seriousness of the situation before the Diplomatic Body. I have received from Mr. Anderson a copy of a letter dated the 9th instant, which he addressed to the Doyen. It is as follows:—"It will be seen from the figures quoted that the depreciation of copper 10-cash pieces is becoming more serious almost every month. When these coins were first issued they circulated at par, though intrinsically worth only about 50 per cent of their face value. Excessive supplies brought depreciation, and of late the profit on minting has disappeared. Debased coins of a lower value are now being issued, which circulate at a steadily increasing discount. The continuous depreciation of the money of the

SUPREME COURT.

Monday, 26th April.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE THE CHIEF JUSTICE (SIR F. PIGOTT).

REDUCTION OF CAPITAL.

An application was submitted by Sir Henry Berkeley, K.C., instructed by Messrs Deacon, Looker and Deacon, on behalf of Langfield and Co., Ltd., Yokohama, who petitioned for confirmation by the Court of a resolution for the reduction of the capital of the company.

Sir Henry Berkeley said the special resolution to reduce the capital was passed on December 9th, 1908, and confirmed on the 29th of that month. The resolution was "That the capital of the company be reduced from yen 150,000 divided into 1,500 shares of yen 100 each to yen 100,000 divided into 2,000 shares of yen 50 each, and that such reduction be effected by redeeming 500 shares of the issued shares of the company, and returning to the holders thereof as the price of such redemption, such sum (not exceeding the paid-up value of the said shares) as may be agreed upon between the directors and the owners of the shares to be redeemed. And by subdividing the remaining 1,000 shares yen 100 each into 2,000 shares of yen 50 each." All his Lordship's wishes had been complied with, but there was the remaining question as to dispensing with the words "and reduced." In a recent case which he brought before his Lordship, the case of the Wei-hai-wei Land Company, his Lordship fixed a fortnight or a month.

His Lordship—You can take the same order as in that case.

Sir Henry—Thank you, my Lord.

His Lordship—I see there are five creditors not paid.

Sir Henry—They are consenting, my Lord.

The application was granted.

A NEW BARISTERS.

Sir Henry Berkeley, before the business of the Court was commenced, said he had much pleasure in presenting to his Lordship Mr. Chaloner Alabaster, who was called to the Bar of the Inner Temple some five years ago. The certificate had been lodged with the Registrar and all the papers were in order. Therefore he moved that his Lordship approve and admit Mr. Alabaster to practice at the Bar of this colony.

His Lordship—Mr. Alabaster, it gives me very much pleasure in admitting you to practise before this Court. I am sure to you it seems almost like coming home, and I dare say many of the older practitioners of this Court know your name quite well. I am sure they will join with me in wishing that you have come to stay and that you will make your home amongst us.

Mr. Chaloner—Thank you, my Lord.

THE LATE MR. THOMSON.

The Chief Justice—This is the first time on which this Court has met since the death of our friend, Mr. O. D. Thomson, and I am only very sorry that I did not intimate to the practitioners in this Court that it was my desire to say a few words. On behalf of the Court, the solicitors and the whole of the members of the profession, I am sure I am right in saying that we join in expressing our deepest sympathy with his widow, and deeply regret that Mr. Thomson has passed away from us.

Sir Henry Berkeley—The Bar and the profession generally echo the sentiments which have fallen from your Lordship of condolence and sympathy with the widow.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE MR. H. H. J. GONPERTZ (PUNISH JUDGE).

A HOTEL RUNNER'S CLAIM.

The action was continued in which William Henry Brown claimed \$255.75, being as to salary \$60, (\$29.75 as to commission, and \$165 for wrongful dismissal, from Messrs. Dorabjee and Co., proprietors of the King Edward Hotel, Mr. Otto Kong Sing appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. Daniel for the defendants.

Mr. A. Gas, recalled, said to his knowledge the hotel never accepted as guest a woman known to belong to the unfortunate class. If the plaintiff brought a woman of that class to the hotel and did not acquaint the manager of her status he would not be doing his duty.

Cross-examined—He had been manager for nine months. He knew a Mrs. Davis, but he did not know she belonged to the unfortunate class. There were often cases of that kind, but not knowing them such women were accepted as guests. Plaintiff never brought women there as lodgers.

The coxswain of the King Edward launch stated that plaintiff used the launch a little for other than hotel purposes; say once or twice a month. On one occasion he took out three ladies, one of whom plaintiff said was his sweetheart, to the American men-of-war in the harbour. Witness complained that the coal was placed under his care and he did not like the launch to be used for private purposes.

Cross-examined—He did not complain to the hotel. The master learned of it afterwards. Mr. Brown did not pay him for the coal he used on those occasions. On one occasion he gave witness \$2, but that was cash on hand. That was not sufficient to pay for the coal used.

Plaintiff, recalled, said the first intimation he had that his services were not appreciated by Mr. Dorabjee was when he received a lawyer's letter. He had an interview with Mr. Dorabjee in the presence of a clerk. Mr. Dorabjee said "I hear you have a man in your room?" Witness replied "I have." "Well," said Mr. Dorabjee "you can keep him there as long as you like but you will have to pay for him." Mr. Dorabjee said nothing then about his dismissal. On the day of his dismissal he had a conversation with Mr. Anderson, the barman, to whom he mentioned that a circus agent was staying in the hotel; Anderson got in a temper and said he could not

stop there at \$5 a day. Witness said the office had given him that rate.

Mr. Daniel objected to the evidence.

Mr. Otto Kong Sing said it showed there was a quarrel which might have accounted for his dismissal.

Plaintiff said his friend Lewis stayed in his room for seven days. He added that he had signed chits for some guests, but not for others. By his Lordship—With regard to the box which had been lost for three days, he was told that if he wished to keep his position he would have to pay \$25 a month until the value of the box was made up. When it was lost he agreed to do so, but subsequently the box was found. In February he was asked by the manager to pay half the expenses of the inquiries and nothing more would be said.

His Lordship, in giving judgment, said there was no allegation by the defendants that the plaintiff had misconducted himself or had been the worse of drink in their service. Taking the ladies out in the launch was conduct which his Lordship thought did not show sufficient consideration for the interests of his employers and that would have been a ground of dismissal. The plaintiff failed in his claim for damages. His Lordship entered judgment for the defendants on the counter claim for \$38.85 the amount of chits, and for \$5 the expense incurred by the hotel through plaintiff's friend having stayed in his room, while plaintiff obtained judgment for \$60.

HONGKONG SCHOOLS ATHLETIC SPORTS.

Yesterday was a gala day with the school children of the Colony, the annual athletic sports meeting of the combined schools being held on the race course, kindly lent by the committee of the Jockey Club for the occasion. The weather was a trifle on the warm side, but it was no doubt the inviting day which accounted for the very large attendance. There was a big programme to be carried through, and as there were numerous entrants in all events, the committee were kept busy throughout the day. Music was supplied by the band of the 13th Rajputs under the baton of Bandmaster Coke. The gold medal presented for the champion athlete of the meeting was won by H.E. Markar.

The Stewards and Committees were under—
Stewards: Messrs. F. A. Hazeland, C. A. D. Melbourne, The Hon. W. Rees-Davies, Messrs. W. D. Brailwood, G. Piercy, Rev. E. Christian, The Hon. Dr. Ho Kai, C.M.G., The Hon. Mr. Wei Yuk, Messrs. Fung Wa Chan, Lau Chu Pak, Ho Kong Tong and Ho Tung.
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Hon. Treasurer—Mr. E. C. Barlow.
Hon. Secretaries—Messrs. R. C. Barlow and A. O. Brown.

Results of events follow—

LONG JUMP. (Boys under 17). Championship event.

Ng Tat Ting, 1; H. E. Markar, 2; R. T. Runjahn, 3. Distance, 194 feet.

100 YARDS FLAT RACE (HANDICAP). For boys over ten and under fourteen years of age.

E. Castro, 1; Isidor Haas, 2; Wong Shan Nin, 3. Time—10 1/2 secs.

100 YARDS FLAT RACE (HANDICAP). Championship event, for boys under 17 years of age.

H. G. Markar, 1; Isidor Haas, 2; Ng Tat Ting, 3. Time—11 secs.

120 YARDS FLAT RACE (HANDICAP). For boys under ten years of age.

F. Loureiro 1; R. Cieson, 2; J. Gutierrez, 3. Time—16 4/5 secs.

440 YARDS FLAT RACE (HANDICAP). For Chinese boys of all ages.

Lo Chiu-hoi, 1; Ng Tat-tung, 2; Kwok Shin-yan, 3. Time—54 2/5 secs.

ONE MILE BICYCLE RACE (HANDICAP). Open to all ages.

C. Soqueira, 1; Cheung U Pui, 2; A. Gutierrez, 3. Time—19 1/5 secs.

HIGH JUMP. For boys over 15 and under 18 years of age. Championship event.

Tam Tai To, 1; Kwok Shin Yan, 2; Height, 4 ft 11 1/2.

220 YARDS FLAT RACE (HANDICAP). Open to all ages.

H. E. Markar, 1; Ng Tat-tung, 2; H. W. Peterson, 3. Time—26 3/5.

120 YARDS HURDLE RACE (HANDICAP). Championship event for boys under 17 years of age.

H. W. Peterson, 1; Yau Kam Fat, 2; Kwok Shin Yan, 3. Time—19 secs.

120 YARDS FLAT RACE for Chinese boys under 14 years of age.

Wong Shan Nin, 1; U Hang San, 2; Tsun, 3. Time—14 1/5 secs.

HIGH JUMP. For boys under 15 years of age. Championship event.

Ng Tat Ting, 1; J. Rozario, 2; Height—4 ft 10 1/2 inches.

10 YARDS FLAT RACE (HANDICAP). For girls under ten years of age.

Maria Loureiro, 1; Guimar Remedios, 2. Time—16 2/5 secs.

100 YARDS FLAT RACE (HANDICAP). For girls ten years of age and over.

Celeste Silva, 1; Mabel Sheffield, 2; Mabel Leslie, 3. Time—13 4/5 secs.

QUARTER MILE (HANDICAP) Championship Event. Challenge Cup. Open to all ages. Ellis

Kadoorie Challenge, cup to be won 3 years in succession to become the property of any boy. The Cup is to be kept in the custody of the school.

H. G. Markar, 1; Ng Tat Ting, 2; Lo Chin Ho, 3. Time—51 secs.

THROWING THE CRICKET BALL. (CHAMPIONSHIP EVENT). Open to all ages.

A. E. Jenkins, 1; Khushal Khan, 2; Luis Robat, 3. Distance 93 yards.

HALF MILE (Civil Service Challenge Cup). Championship Event. For boys under 17 years of age.

To be won three years in succession to become the property of any boy. Cup to be kept in the custody of the School.

H. G. Markar, 1; H. W. Peterson, 2; C. Lopes, 3. Time—2 min 20 4/5 secs.

SKIPPING RACE. 100 yards open to girls only.

Mariel Davey, 1; Mabel Leslie, 2; Celeste Silva, 3.

50 YARDS FLAT RACE. Open to all comers under seven years of age.

M. Sternberg, 1; At Agan, 2; G. Silva, 3.

50 YARDS FLAT RACE for Chinese boys 14 years of age and over.

Ng Tat Ting, 1; Lo Chin Ho, 2; Wong Tso Ting, 3. Time—33 secs.

SEVEN FURLONG FLAT RACE (HANDICAP). Open to past pupils only.

A. Ellis, 1; Y. A. Bbas, 2. Time—4 min, 10 secs.

THREE LEGGED RACE. Open to all ages.

Kwok Shin Yan and Tsang sham Ho, 1; W. G. Williams and J. M. A. Remedios, 2. Time—15 secs.

SACK RACE. Open to all ages. J. M. Remedios, 1; C. Breitenfeldt, 2; J. Assensio, 3. Time—24 secs.

TWO MILE BICYCLE RACE. Open to past pupils only.

I. E. Chamrut, 1; A. Carroll, 2. Time—6 min 23 2/5 secs.

QUARTER MILE. Open to Army, Navy and Police.

Lance-Corporal Andrews, Buffs, 1; Private Tester, Buffs, 2. Time—49 3/5 secs. Andrews won the race by yards, and lowered his previous record by two seconds.

At the conclusion of the sport spectators and competitors assembled in the grandstand, where Mr. Brown asked Mrs. Lander to present the prizes.

HIS LORDSHIP THE BISHOP, before his wife proceeded with her task, congratulated the committee on the success of the meeting. On looking through the programme he found that there were over one thousand entries, one event bringing forward as many as 80 competitors. He thought this was a very good sign. Another glance at the programme showed him that as many as nine nationalities competed. This was another good sign, because it taught the different people to understand one another. His Lordship then called upon his wife to proceed with her task, the call being a signal for general applause.

Mrs. Lander distributed the prizes to successful competitors, and when the last prize was presented, was accorded three ringing cheers.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The German str. *Borneo* left Sandakan on the 21st inst. p.m., and may be expected here this morning.

The P. & O. str. *Delta* left Singapore for this port on the 24th inst. at 10.30 a.m., with the outward English mails, and is due here on the 28th inst. at about 6 p.m.

The C.N. Co.'s str. *Anhui* left Shanghai on the 25th inst., and is due here on the 28th inst. The C.N. Co.'s str. *Kaiyong* will leave Hilo on the 29th inst., and is due here on the 3rd prox.

The I.G.M. str. *P. E. Friedrich* carrying the German mails with dates from Berlin of the 7th inst., left Colombo on the 24th inst. p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 5th prox.

The Indo-China str. *Suisang* left Calcutta for this port via the Straits on the 22nd inst., and may be expected here on or about the 8th prox.

The C.N. Co.'s str. *Changsha* will leave Sydney on the 15th May, and is due here on the 9th June.

The Ben Line str. *Benarty* from Antwerp, Middlesbrough and London, left Singapore on the 24th inst. for this port.

The C.P.R. str. *Empress of India* left Vancouver for Hongkong, via usual ports of call at p.m. on the 22nd inst.

The I.G.M. str. *Derfflinger* which left here on the 22nd inst. at 3 a.m., arrived at Shanghai on the 25th inst. at 1 p.m.

The I.G.M. str. *Goben* which left here on the 24th inst. at noon, arrived at Shanghai on the 25th inst. at 1 p.m.

The N.Y.K. str. *Ceylon Maru* (American Line) left Moji for this port via Shanghai on the 25th inst., and is expected here on the 2nd prox.

The N.Y.K. str. *Myogaki Maru* (European Line) left Kobe for this port via Shanghai on the 24th inst., and is expected here on the 3rd prox.

The str. *Indramayu* left Shanghai on the 24th inst. afternoon, and is due here to-morrow p.m.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—

On the 26th at 12.05 p.m.—The barometer has risen in S.E. Japan, and fallen over the S.E. coast of China.

The anticyclonic area is still central over S.E. Japan, and pressure remains relatively low over Hongkong and China.

Moderate S.E. winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel and along the northern shores of the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.01 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:—

Hongkong & Neighbourhood (S.E. winds moderate, fair, fog at times.) Same as No. 1.

Formosa Channel (S.E. winds moderate, fair, fog at times.) Same as No. 1.

South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamocka. (S.E. winds moderate, fair, fog at times.) Same as No. 1.

South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan. (S.E. winds moderate, fair, fog at times.) Same as No. 1.

THE JAPAN SUGAR COMPANY.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

Tokyo, April 15th.

The papers are daily giving full particulars of the arrests made in connection with the failure of the Dai Nippon Seito Kaisha, and there is now every indication that these responsible for the suspension of this prominent company will be brought to justice and punished as they deserve.

The revelations of the methods by which the directors of this company declared the usual 15 per cent per annum dividend, when in reality the company was in a disastrous condition, formed one of the New Year greetings for the Japanese investor, and since then a series of exposures have taken place. No proceedings, however, were taken by the public prosecutors and it was beginning to be feared that the criminals would be allowed to escape when action was suddenly initiated, and at 9 a.m. on Sunday, April 11, the houses of several of the directors were searched and arrests made. The legal machinery, it appears, has been set in motion against the will of the authorities by a shareholder charging certain of the directors with the misappropriation of 850,000 yen. On this complaint the public prosecutors were compelled to take action, while it is generally believed the Government desired in view of the prominence of the company to effect an adjustment, if possible, without resort to the courts. One or two directors are now in prison awaiting trial, others are closely watched by the police and practically prisoners, while many other persons, former officials of the company and members of the Diet, supposed to have been bribed, are in the position of suspects liable to be sent to prison at any moment. These proceedings are taken on the evidence of documents seized at the offices of the company and at the private residences of those concerned in Tokyo and Osaka.

The charges against the accused are the most flagrant that can be conceived—falsifying entries in the books, bribing candidates for the Diet during the elections last year, borrowing the company's money with the company's shares as security, declaring dividends when some four million yen was due to the Customs for sugar duty; they are of such a nature that ultimate exposure becomes certain and can only be possible where corruption is widespread and the fear of the law reduced to a minimum. And the confidence in this respect of the fraudulent directors appears to be well founded, for, but for the independent and determined action of the prosecuting shareholder the iniquities of these directors would have been overlooked in the interest of the company's reputation and rehabilitation. They would be no longer connected with the company, but would be free men, neither socially nor legally punished, and at liberty to carry on their speculations probably to the ruin of shareholders less able to bear loss than the shareholders of the great sugar company.

The Japanese press hails the recent developments with the greatest satisfaction, and altogether it is a heartening sign for the future of Japanese credit that the press and public are taking such a determined stand on the side of justice. Perhaps it might be objected that this is only natural in the circumstances, but it is really creditable of the press to take up a definite attitude while the authorities of the law were undecided. But for the initiative of a shareholder it is probable that no action would ever have been taken with the object of punishing the directors for a breach of the laws. The Government, a creditor to the company in the sum of four million yen, was and is inclined to overlook the criminal aspect of the case with the object of re-establishing the company as a going concern and thus ultimately making good all loss. Here the authorities appear to be seriously at fault, for the natural effect of their policy would be the disastrous to the morality and credit of the Japanese, while severe punishment of the guilty will have a most wholesome effect of far greater value in the long run than anything to be saved by hushing matters up. In this connection it is interesting to note that foreign influence has apparently been at work in bringing matters to the present head. The sugar company was one of the gilt-edged investments, and foreigners were largely interested. Among the heavy shareholders, according to the press reports, is the British Ambassador at Tokyo and members of the Embassy, and it is alleged that Sir Claude MacDonald urged on the Premier the necessity of taking action against the directors for the good of Japan's credit. The Embassy has denied this report, but it is probably more than half true, if Sir Claude is a shareholder, for a man in a position of influence could hardly refrain from using his influence in the right direction in such extraordinary circumstances, although, technically, it might be a very undiplomatic thing to do.

All the facts reported up to date regarding the Dai Nippon Seito Kaisha go to show the insecurity of the shareholder in Japan under the present administration of the law, which in commercial matters is lax in the extreme. This is due to the nation's inexperience and also to the national temperament, but the remedy for the defects will be suggested by such examples of commercial mismanagement as that of the sugar company, providing the law is vindicated to the full in this case. Never before has the attention of the Japanese public been so concentrated on commercial matters, the result of a series of company failures occurring at a time of acute trade depression. Hitherto the attitude of the shareholder has been one of blind obedience, but he is now beginning to realise that he also is partly responsible for the situation, that he has in the past appointed the director and the manager, and that he may anticipate an end to the corruption and mismanagement in public companies such as are revealed in the case of the Dai Nippon Seito Kaisha.

SHIPPING NOTES.

Chinese papers in the North report that a foreigner has put a scheme before the Chinese Government for the establishment of a steamer service on the Yellow River. The scheme includes an undertaking to repair the embankments of the Yellow River from time to time.

The Koehlin Transportation and Tow Boat Co. is understood to be sending some of its tugs and lighters to Hankow with a view to starting business there. The Shanghai Tug and Lighter Company's tug *Samson* has taken sixteen lighters to Hankow, having an aggregate tonnage of between 3,500, and 3,000, which constitutes a record for towage on the Yangtze.

The new N.Y.K. steamer *Kitano-maru*, just built at the Mitsui Bishi Yard, Nagasaki, developed a maximum speed of 17.266 knots and an average of 17.20 knots during an official trial trip. Compared with her sister-ship, the *Atsuta-maru*, the speed of the new steamer was 0.193 knots higher. The vessel is expected to arrive at Yokohama not later than the 7th May.

The Directors of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha have published a denial of the rumour which has been circulating in the Japanese press that the Company suffered a heavy loss in the last half year, ending 31st March. The *Yiji*, in which this denial is published, gives currency in the same issue to a rumour that in consequence of the heavy loss sustained by the Toyo Kisen Kaisha, the Government authorities have suggested a combine of the N.Y.K. and T.K.K., and that in case the former consents to do so, the proposed amalgamation of the two steamship companies will be effected in the near future.

Mr. Asano, President of the Toyo Kisen Kaisha, interviewed in Nagasaki, said that the *Tenyo-maru's* sister-ship will be completed in 1910. A cargo-boat of 1,900 tons, now in course of building at Nagasaki, will undergo a trial run next autumn. The number of the San Francisco liners of the Company will then be increased to six and that of the South American liners to four, these calling at Nagasaki in addition to Kobe and Yokohama.

The tonnage of Japanese steamers which have been lying idle since last winter once reached about 90,000, but has now decreased by about 50 per cent, namely to some 51,500, the number of vessels being 25. This is due to the restoration of coal transportation, and to the reopening of timber exportation from the Hokkaido and of the North China service.

The fourth general meeting of the Japanese Steamship Company is to be held at the end of May, when the business report for this term is to be submitted. It is said by Japanese papers that no dividend will be declared, as the business has not been favourable on account of the decrease of water in the Yangtze, coupled with the severe competition of the British, German, French and Chinese steamships.

The Standard Oil Company's full-rigged ship *King George*, reached Stapleton, U.S.A., on February 29th, 134 days out from Hongkong. Captain Tucker was ill with what was believed to be beri-beri, and he was removed to the Marine Hospital on Staten Island. One of the crew, it is stated, had complained of pains in his ankles before the ship left Hongkong and he died in the Indian Ocean. Others of the crew also suffered from the disease, but it was still an open question at the date of the latest reports whether the disease was beri-beri or a form of scurvy.

Japan papers by yesterday's mail mention with regard to the British steamer *Indra*, which recently went ashore on the island of Muslima, in the Indian Sea, that an examination of the bottom has revealed near the bow of the vessel a large gush nearly twenty feet in length, caused through the steamer grinding on the sharp rocks as she went ashore. Divers were busy at work patching up the broken plates, and the vessel will be thoroughly overhauled on her arrival at Kobe—Muslima the *Chronicle* says is a very small island without any inhabitants. A prominent juts out to the southward, and it was near the end of this that the *Indra* went ashore. So long as the fine weather lasts the vessel is in no danger.

A well-known skipper on the China coast has just retired from active service after thirty-four years service with the China Merchants' Steam Navigation Company. We refer to Captain J. Warwick. In order to fittingly mark the esteem in which he is held by his sea-faring and shore friends, Captain Warwick just prior to his departure from Shanghai was entertained at the Masonic Club and presented with a magnificent testimonial to wish their departing friend a pleasant journey home and many years of enjoyment and health amidst the bracing air of Hartlepool. Captain Lowe also expressed the hope that Captain Warwick would find time in the future to visit his old friends again.

At meetings of the Association of Continental Underwriters which were to be held at Frankfurt-on-Main last month it was proposed to consider what steps can be taken "to endeavour to improve the existing deplorable" depression of marine underwriting. It has long been known that Continental markets, as London has, have suffered severely from the experience of recent years, so that the action of the association will surprise no one engaged in the business.

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Shipbuilding, remarks a London paper, at length shows some tendency towards greater activity. The Clyde reports the placing during March of orders for twenty vessels, of 94,000 tons. The last-mentioned figure is practically equal to the tonnage contracted for in the same district during January and February. The contracts chiefly represent general cargo steamers of large size, and other orders for big boats, of which the details are at present undisclosed, are reported to have

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Apply to—
LINSTEAD & DAVIS,
3rd Floor, Alexandra Buildings,
Hongkong, 22nd April, 1909. [100]

TO LET.

13, ALBANY ROAD, HONGKONG.
(Facing Public Gardens)
From 1st May, 1909.

at present occupied by Madame Marty.
Apply to—
M. STEPHENS,
Solicitor, 18, Bank Buildings.
[589]

STORAGE.

FOR COAL, TIMBER, &c.

TO BE LET, a Portion of MARINE LOT No. 25 at NORTH POINT, Suitable for above Purpose. EXTENSIVE WATER FRONT. DEEP WATER.

Also FOR SALE.
Portions of MARINE LOTS Nos. 31 & 36 on PRAYA EAST. Approximate AREA 43,000 SQUARE FT. 99 YEARS' LEASE.

For Particulars, apply—
GEO. PENWICK & Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 8th June, 1906. [96]

TO LET.

GODOWNS, Nos. 95, 96 and 97, PRAYA EAST.

Apply to—
CHATER & MODY,
Victoria Buildings,
Hongkong, 1st February, 1909. [264]

TO LET.

WITH IMMEDIATE POSSESSION.

KOWLOON MARINE LOT 43, Yau-mat, Area 85,200 square feet and with 255 feet Sea Frontage. Especially suited for Storage of Coal, Timber, &c.

Apply to—
HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE CO., LTD.
Hongkong, 18th January, 1909. [103]

TO LET—FURNISHED.

"FUNG-SHUI," THE PEAK. To be Let Furnished for 8 months or longer.

Apply to—
JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER,
Solicitors,
8, Des Voeux Road Central,
Hongkong, 2nd March, 1909. [110]

TO LET.

A HOUSE in Wong Nei Chong Road.

OFFICES in RYAN TERRACE.

OFFICES TO LET, No. 2, Connaught Road, 3rd Floor.

No. 3, CLIFTON GARDENS, Conduit Road.

No. 10, DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL, 1st Floor.

OFFICES in YORK BUILDING.

GODOWNS in PRAYA EAST, BLUE BUILDINGS and No. 16B, Des Voeux Road next to the HONGKONG HOTEL.

FLATS in MOBEY TERRACE.

Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.
Hongkong, 20th April, 1909. [97]

TO LET.

AT THE PEAK, HOUSE in STEWART TERRACE, Furnished or Unfurnished.

Apply to—
H. E. POLLOCK,
18, Bank Building,
Hongkong, 20th March, 1909. [494]

TO LET.

NO. 34, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL (Shop). Opposite the Post Office.

No. 1A, WYNDHAM STREET (suitable for Office and Godown).

No. 2A, D'ARVILLE STREET (suitable for Office and Godown).

All of which are at present occupied by Weismann Ltd. For Particulars, etc.

Apply to—
YEE SANG FAT & Co.,
34, Queen's Road Central,
Hongkong, 19th March, 1909. [489]

TO LET.

ROOMS suitable for Offices in No. 10, Lee House Street, in rear of David Sassoon & Co.'s premises.

Chambers with Bathroom and use of Kitchen in No. 31, Wyndham Street known as "College Chambers."

Apply to—
DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 1st April, 1909. [553]

TO LET.

NO. 6, OBSERVATORY VILLAS, Kowloon. Five Roomed House; Electric Lights and Tennis Court.
"GRANEE BUNGALOW," Kowloon. A Small Garden attached. Moderate Rental.
Apply to—ARRATON V. APCAR & Co.,
14, Des Voeux Road,
Hongkong, 3rd March, 1909. [399]

TO LET.

GODOWN, No. 5A, DUDDELL STREET.
Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.
Hongkong, 1st April, 1909. [98]

TO LET.

FURNISHED or Unfurnished, or For Sale, DETACHED HOUSE with Tennis Court known as "ROCKVALE," Kimberley Road, Kowloon.

Apply to—
H. K. HOLMES,
54, Queen's Road,
Hongkong, 19th April, 1909. [630]

TO LET.

UNFURNISHED—Nos. 8 and 10, WYNDHAM STREET, containing 6 Large Rooms each. Can be let together or separately.

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No. 5, Queen's Road Central,
Hongkong, 23rd February, 1909. [213]

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MISSIONS TO SEAMEN INSTITUTE BUILDING FUND.

LIST OF SUBSCRIPTIONS.

The subscriptions received towards the New Seamen's Institute, the foundation stone of which H. E. the Governor will lay to-morrow are as follows:

Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	2,500.00
Butterfield & Swire	2,500.00
David Sassoon & Co., Ltd.	2,500.00
E. D. Sassoon & Co.	2,500.00
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank	2,500.00
Standard Oil Co.	2,500.00
Chartered Bank	1,000.00
Siemens & Co.	500.00
Melchers & Co.	500.00
Carlowitz & Co.	500.00
Jensen & Co.	500.00
Arnold Karberg & Co.	500.00
Mercentile Bank	500.00
Canadian Pacific R.M.S. Line	500.00
Shewan Tomes & Co.	500.00
Norddeutscher Lloyd	250.00
Hamburg America Line	250.00
J. Orange	250.00
Union Insurance Society of Canton	250.00
China Traders Insurance Co.	250.00
E. C. Blanchflower R.N. for the Seamen and Marines of the China Squadron	250.00
Admiral Sir Arthur W. Moore	200.00
Lieut. Sirven f R.M.S. Astron	100.00
Ship's Company	100.00
Marcus Slat	100.00
The Rt. Rev. The Bishop of Victoria	100.00
I. Gibbs	50.00
J. V. Crowie, R.N. H.M.S. Bedford	51.00
Lieut. W. H. Darwell H.M.S. Hardy	20.00
Officers and Men H.M.S. Acet	117.00
A.H.M.	10.00
Officers and Wardroom Men H.M.S. King Alfred	65.75
Officers and Men H.M.S. Monmouth	76.15
Mr. Stokes	50.00
Rev. J. S. Ladd	10s. 6d.
Lady Maria Brodie	£1
Mr. R. B. Hoare	£25
Per Bishop of Victoria	£ s. d.
Miss C. Cottrell	1 0
Anonymous	10 0
G. R. Burners	5 5 0
Miss C. Austin	1 5 0
Miss Freese	15 0
Miss Mews	1 10 £ s. d.
A. Friend per Rev. J.	9 13 0
Per Rev. C. E. Thompson	1,000.00
Mr. D. R. Law's List	626.00
	\$27,285.95

THE STATEMENT of Accounts is as follows:—

RECEIPTS.

To subscription as per list \$27,285.95 |

To balance of monies collected by the late Bishop Moore, Rev. A. G. Goldsmith and Rev. J. H. France 11,586.30 |

To bank interest 113.40 |

\$38,985.65 |

To balance in hand \$544.40 |

In addition to above there is the \$35,000.00 promised by Mr. H. N. Mody. 5.38 |

EXPENDITURE.

By Hongkong Land Investment Co. Ltd.:

Purchase of land \$37,800.00 |

Proportion of Crown 15.00 |

Rent \$37,815.00 |

By Cheque Book 1.25 |

By Deane & Bowler, Costs 75.00 |

By Yik Loong pulling down old building less allowance for old materials 550.00 |

By balance 544.40 |

\$38,985.65 |

C. P. CHATER,
Hon. Treasurer.

NEW MARRIAGE VOW.

"ETHICAL" WEDDINGS IN A DRAWING-ROOM.

A form of marriage ceremony that is novel to Great Britain has been performed at South Croxson, where Miss Gertrude Cailyn Peters was married in her mother's drawing-room at Kenwyn to Mr. Charles F. Cooper, according to the principles of ethical religion.

The bridegroom, who has been associated with the ethical movement and was formerly Secretary of the Moral Instruction League, objected to being married in a church. The bride's mother, considered the civil ceremony before the registrar very odd and useless, and so a compromise was decided upon, the civil contract at the registry office in the morning being followed by the ethical marriage service at the bride's own home on Saturday afternoon last.

Kenwyn is a large mansion, standing in its own grounds, and the wedding guests numbered nearly a hundred. The overture of music found room in the conservatory adjoining the drawing-room, where they could hear the service.

A solemn silence fell upon the gathering, and not even a whisper could be heard when, at four o'clock on Saturday, the bride entered the drawing-room and took her seat by the bridegroom's side on a brocade-covered settee in the centre of the room. Facing them was Dr. Stanton Coit, leader of the ethical movement in England, who conducted the marriage service.

THE SUNDAY VOW.

The bride, who is a strikingly handsome girl with dark eyes and rich brown hair, wore a beautiful wedding robe of shimmering silk veiled with billow clouds of chiffon and Brussels lace. She wore no veil, but had a spray of the orange-blossom of orthodoxy and carried a bridal bouquet of white blooms.

The drawing-room grand piano took the place of the organ, and the ceremony opened with a song, "The Morning Hymn." The Shakespearean sonnet "Let us not to the marriage of true minds admit impediments" followed as a recitative.

Bride and bridegroom stood up to take their marriage vows. The bridegroom promised to shield, love, comfort, honour, and keep the bride in sickness and health, and forsaking all others, to keep only unto her, so long as they both shall live. The curious guests listened attentively to the bride's vow. There was no mention of obedience in it, but the bride promised to minister to the bridegroom and to love, honour, and keep him in sickness and in health.

Bride and bridegroom joined their right hands and each repeated:

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
 ASCANIA, German str., 1,252, A. Claassen, 26th April—Changhai.
 EASTERN, British str., 2,272, W. G. McArthur, 26th April—Kobe 21st April, General—Gibb, Livingston & Co.
 ERNEST SIMONS, French str., 2,890, R. Girard, 26th April—Shanghai 23rd April, General—Messageries Maritimes.
 FUKUKA MARU, Jap. str., 1,346, S. Kamauchi, 26th April—Mojito 21st April, Coal—Mitsui Bishi Goshi Kaisha.
 HONG WAN, British str., 1,260, G. Kinghorn, 26th April—Rangoon 18th and Singapore 20th April, General—Chinsee.
 INVERLY, British str., 3,113, R. J. Hawie, 26th April—Seattle via ports 10th March, General—Dodwell & Co.
 KANAGAWA MARU, Japanese str., 3,825, J. Nippon Yusen Kaisha, 26th April—Shanghai 23rd April, General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
 LIFAN, British str., 2,330, C. C. Williams, 25th April—Shanghai 22nd April, General—Butterfield & Swire.
 LONGHONG, British str., 1,093, S. J. Payne, 26th April—Munila 23rd April, Sugar, Hemp and General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
 MAUSANG, British str., 1,644, G. S. Weigall, 26th April—Sundakan 20th April, Timber and General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
 OCEANIAN, French str., 2,536, H. Seller, 26th April—Marseilles 23rd March, General—Messageries Maritimes.
 OPAK, British str., 2,517, R. J. Woodget, 25th April—Singapore 20th April, General—Butterfield & Swire.
 RUBY, British str., 1,356, R. W. Almond, 26th April—Munila 24th April, General—Shewan, Tomes & Co.
 SUSHU MARU, Japanese str., 1,119, T. Sugi, 26th April—Anping, 23rd via Amoy 24th and Swatow 25th April, General—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.
 TAIYUAN, British str., 2,368, L. Dawson, 25th April—Melbourne Australia 27th March, General—Butterfield & Swire.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.
 26th April.
 ASCANIA, German str., for Canton.
 CHANGHAI, British str., for Canton.
 DUNLOP, British str., for Swatow.
 J. Diederichsen, Ger. str., for Hoihow.
 Knight Errant, British str., for Kobe.
 Linan, British str., for Canton.
 Nicomedie, German str., for Singapore.
 Onong, British str., for Hongkong.
 Oupack, British str., for Shanghai.
 Scottish Monarch, Br. str., for Shanghai.
 Taitan, British str., for Chetoo.

DEPARTURES.

26th April.
 CHITVEN, Chinese str., for Canton.
 GERMANIA, German str., for Canton.
 LIANGCHOW, British str., for Canton.
 OCEANIAN, French str., for Shanghai.
 TUNGSHING, British str., for Chetoo.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British str. Inverly reports: Very bad weather experienced crossing Pacific.
 The British str. Oceanian reports: Light variable winds, slight sea fine weather foggy outside Hongkong.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

April 26th.

ABERDEEN DOCK.—
 KANTON DOCK.—Taitan, Empress of China, Y. Sontka, Nanning.
 COSMOTOLAN DOCK.—

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.
 STEAMER FOR
 FIUME AND TRIESTE (DIRECT),
 Calling at SINGAPORE, PENANG,
 COLOMBO, BOMBAY, KARACHI,
 ADEN, SUEZ AND PORT SAID.
 (Taking Cargo at through rates to the BRAZIL
 to PERIAN GULF, RED SEA, BLACK SEA,
 LEVANT, VENICE AND ADRIATIC
 Ports).
 THE Company's Steamship
 "AUSTRIA."
 Captain Cobol, will be despatched as above
 on THURSDAY, the 28th April.
 This steamer has splendid accommodation for
 passengers, electric light and carries a doctor
 and stewardess.
 For information as to Passage and Freight,
 apply to
 SANDER, WIELER & Co.,
 Agents,
 Princess Buildings,
 Hongkong, 27th April, 1909. [3]

AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.
 For BOSTON AND NEW YORK VIA
 PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL.
 (With Liberty to call at the Malabar Coast.)
 SS "INDRAMAYO" ... On 30th April.
 For Freight and further information
 apply to
 SHEWAN TOMES & Co.,
 General Agents,
 Hongkong, 12th April, 1909. [496]

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE
 (WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT MALABAR
 COAST).
 PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
 FOR NEW YORK.
 S.S. "SATSUMA" ... About 20th May.
 For Freight and further information, apply to
 DODWELL & Co., Ltd.,
 Agents,
 Hongkong, 4th April, 1909. [1712]

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING

To ascertain the anchorage of any Vessels, the Harbour has been divided into Four Sections commencing from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked "k.", nearest Hongkong "h." midway between Hongkong and Kowloon "m.", and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf "k.w." together with the number denoting the section.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG & REG.	DEPART	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
1 From Green Island to the Harbour Master's.	2 From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier.	3 From Blake Pier to Naval Yard.	4 From Naval Yard to East Point.			
LONDON & C. VIA USUAL PORTS OF CALL.	ASSAYE	Brit. str.	—	Owen Jones, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 1st May, at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	NUBIA	Brit. str.	—	E. J. Fox	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 5th May.
ANTWERP & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	LIBERIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Kneisel	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	About Middle of May.
ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG, &c.	BERGAVIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Hildebrandt	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	About Beg. of June.
SOUTHAMPTON, LONDON & HAMBURG, &c.	MONMOUTHSHIRE	Brit. str.	—	G. S. Warner, R.N.R.	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 8th May.
HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG, &c.	SILEZIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	V. Hoff	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 19th May.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SCANDIA	Ger. str.	—	V. Dohren	MESSEGERIES MARITIMES	On 2nd June.
MARSEILLES, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL.	ERNEST SIMONS	Jap. str.	—	Girard	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	Today, at 1 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	KANAGAWA MARU	Ger. str.	k.w.	J. Nagao	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	To-morrow, at Daylight.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	HAIRATA MARU	Jap. str.	—	Schwinghammer	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 3rd May.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PEKING	Swed. str.	—	T. Mural	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 12th May, at D'light
GENOA, MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	MIYASAKI MARU	Jap. str.	—	V. Bainbridge	MELCHERS & Co.	On 17th May.
CALLAO, IQUIQUE, &c. VIA JAPAN PORTS, &c.	HONGKONG MARU	Jap. str.	—	Cobol	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	About 5th May.
TRIESTE, &c. VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	AUSTRIA	Ger. str.	—	H. Formes	SANDER, WIELER & Co.	On 1st June.
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERS, GIBRALTAR, &c.	BUELOW	Brit. str.	—	—	MELCHERS & Co.	On 29th inst.
NEW YORK	SATSUMA	Brit. str.	—	—	DODWELL & Co., Ltd.	On 5th May, at Noon.
BOSTON & NEW YORK VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	2 m.	—	SHAWHAN, TOMES & Co.	About 20th May.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI JAPAN, &c.	MONTEAGLE	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	DODWELL & Co., Ltd.	On 30th inst.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI JAPAN, &c.	AKI MARU	Jap. str.	—	T. Shotton	SHAWHAN, TOMES & Co.	On 1st May, at 6 P.M.
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	YAMATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	K. Sato	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. Co.	On 11th May, at Noon.
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	TAIYUAN	Jap. str.	—	Fred. Payne	DODWELL & Co., Ltd.	About 2nd inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA PORT DARWIN, &c.	YAMATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	McArthur	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-day, at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	TAIYUAN	Jap. str.	—	T. Sekine	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 11th May, at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	YAMATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	L. Dawson	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-morrow, at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	YAMATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	E. Gathemann	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 14th May, at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	YAMATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	M. Yagi	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 14th May, at 4 P.M.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	YAMATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	Geo. Anderson	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 21st May, at Noon.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	YAMATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	M. Yagi	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 11th June, at Noon.
JAPAN	YAMATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	Zwart	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 6th May, at D'light.
TIENSHIN	YAMATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	V. McClymont-Liddell	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 12th May, at Noon.
TIENSHIN	YAMATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	E. Forsyth	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	Quick despatch.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	YAMATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	V. Dohren	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 1st May, at Noon.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	YAMATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	R. Richards	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 2nd May, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	YAMATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	Frazier	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-day, P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	YAMATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	T. Arthur	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-morrow, at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	YAMATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	B. W. H. Snow	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 29th inst, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	YAMATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	F. Wheeler	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 29th inst, at 3 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	YAMATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	S. H. Belsan	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 30th inst, at D'light
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	YAMATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	E. Malchow	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 2nd May, at Noon.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	YAMATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	A. P. Vine, R.N.R.	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 8th May, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	YAMATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	Broce	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	About 6th May.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	YAMATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	de Brouwer	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 9th May, at D'light
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	YAMATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	K. Sugi	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 10th May, P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	YAMATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	Y. Kaburaki	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 19th May, at Noon.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	YAMATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	Hodgins	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	Quick despatch.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	YAMATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	J. W. Evans	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 29th inst, at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	YAMATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	Jameson	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 2nd May, at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	YAMATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	A. Somerville	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-day, at 1 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	YAMATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	S. J. Payne	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-morrow, at 1 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	YAMATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	R. W. Almond	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 29th inst, at 9 A.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	YAMATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	A. W. Outerbridge	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-day, at 3 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	YAMATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	P. H. Rolfe	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 28th inst, at Noon.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	YAMATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	R. Rodger	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 7th May, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	YAMATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	Mathias	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 7th May, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	YAMATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	F. Semblil	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	Beginning of May.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	YAMATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	R. Smith	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 4th May.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	YAMATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	E. J. Bull	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-day, at Noon.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	YAMATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	Pander	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 3rd inst, at Noon.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	YAMATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	Quick despatch.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
KUPAT & SANDAKAN ...	"BORNEO" Capt. F. Symbill	Beginning of May.
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERS, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP & BREMEN	"BUELOW" Capt. H. FORMER	Wed. day, 5th May, at Noon.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH" Capt. E. MALCROW	About Thursday, 6th May.
MANILA, YAP, NEWGUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"MANILA" Capt. E. GATHEMANN	Friday, 21st May, at 10 A.M.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MARSEILLES, VIA PORTS	"ERNEST SIMONS" Capt. Girard	On 27th April, 1 P.M.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"POLYNESIE" Capt. Broce	On 10th May, P.M.
MARSEILLES VIA PORTS	"TONKIN" Capt. Charbonnel	On 11th May, 1 P.M.

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 Hongkong, 19th April, 1909. [1]

FOR SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI.

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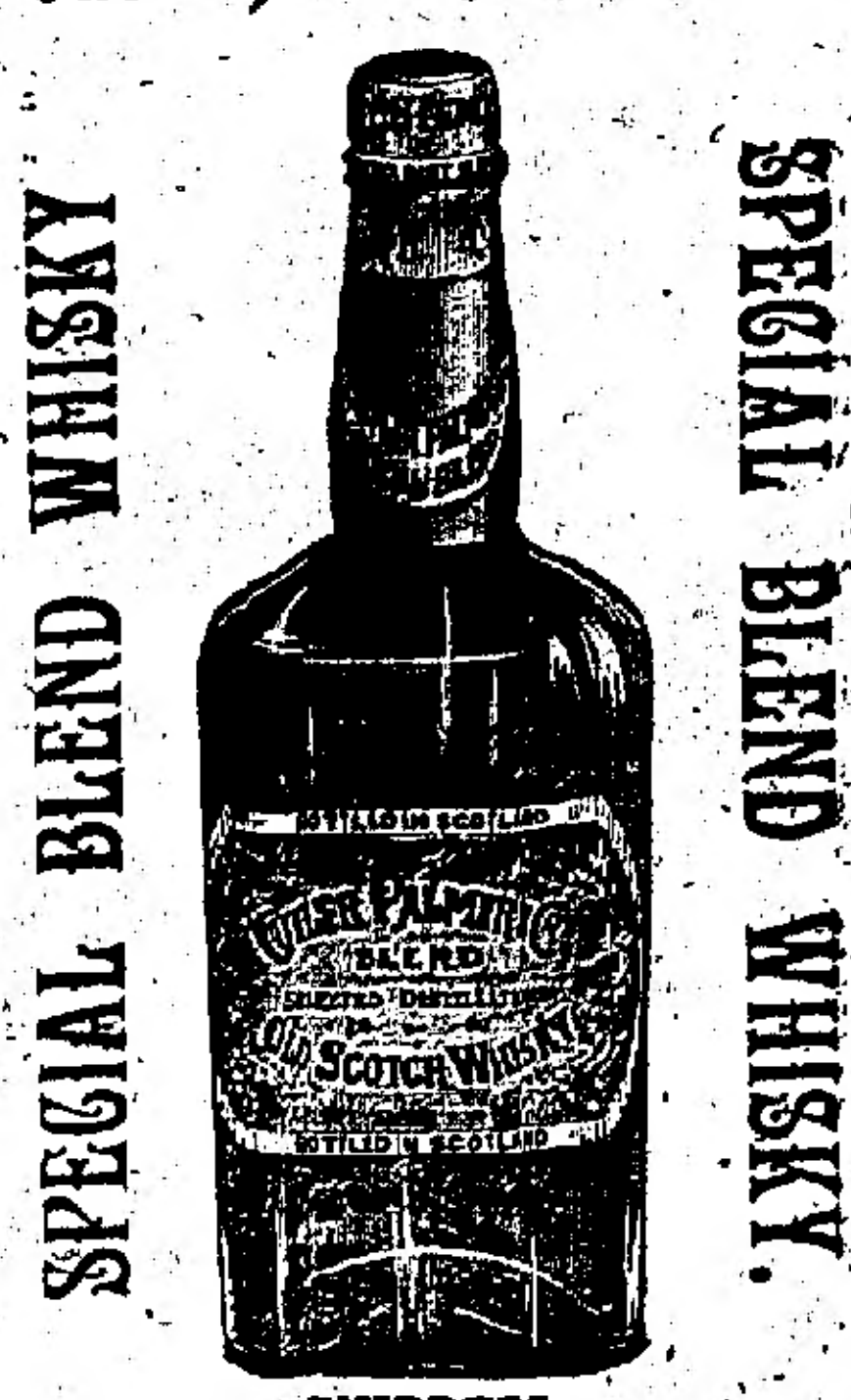
Captain G. S. Warner, R.N.R., will be despatched as above on 8th May.
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 Hongkong, 14th April, 1909. [575]

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STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
SHANGHAI	DELTA	3 P.M. 29th April
LONDON VIA USUAL PORTS	ASSAYE	Noon, 1st May
LONDON AND ANTWERP	NUBIA	About 5th May
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, POONA	POONA	About 7th May

Hongkong, 27th April, 1909.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MANILA	"TAMING"	On 27th April, 3 P.M.
HOIHOW AND HAIPHONG	"SINGAN"	On 29th April, 9 A.M.
SHANGHAI	"YINGCHOW"	On 29th April, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"ANHUI"	On 2nd May, 5 P.M.
MANILA	"TEAN"	On 4th May, 3 P.M.
TIENSIN	"HUICHOW"	On 6th May, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"CHINHUA"	On 6th May, 4 P.M.
CEBU AND ILOILO	"KAIFONG"	On 7th May, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"CHENAN"	On 9th May, 5 P.M.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
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MANILA VIA ANOY	"LOONGSANG"	Thursday, 29th April, Noon.
SHANGHAI	"FOOSHANG"	Thursday, 29th April, 4 P.M.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"KUMSANG"	Friday, 30th April, Noon.
SHANGHAI VIA NINGPO	"KWONGSANG"	Friday, 30th April, Noon.
TIENSIN	"CHEONGSANG"	Saturday, 1st May, Noon.
MANILA	"FUENSANG"	Friday, 1st May, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MANILA	"KUTSANG"	Wednesday, 19th May, Noon.

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ANPOY & POOCHOW	"SOSHU MARU"	THURSDAY, 29th April, at 10 A.M.
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KAMO MARU	(Capt. R. L. SOMMER)	About Wed. 28th July

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MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, and PORT SAID.	KANAGAWA MARU	6169	WEDNESDAY, 28th April, at Daylight
VIETNAM, SHANGHAI, SEATTLE, YOKOHAMA and YOKOHAMA.	HAKATA MARU	6161	WEDNESDAY, 12th May, at Daylight
SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE.	SAKI MARU	6444	TUESDAY, 27th April, at Noon
SHANGHAI, MOJI and KOBE.	CEYLON MARU	5068	TUESDAY, 11th May, at Noon
KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	YAWATA MARU	5539	FRIDAY, 14th May, at Noon
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE and COLOMBO.	NIKKO MARU	5539	FRIDAY, 11th June, at Noon
NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	MOYORI MARU	3265	TUESDAY, 27th April, at Noon
	SADO MARU	6227	THURSDAY, 6th May, at Daylight
	TOTOMI MARU	4000	SUNDAY, 9th May, at Noon
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S.S. SENEGAMBIA ... 10th May	S.S. SILESIA ... 19th May
S.S. SIVILIA ... 17th May	FOR ANTWERP & HAMBURG:
S.S. ISTRIA ... 29th May	S.S. LIBERIA ... About Middle of May
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	FOR HAVRE & HAMBURG:
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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

DESTINATION	STEAMERS	DATE OF SAILING.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA and KOBE	"CANTON"	On 28th April.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA and KOBE	"NIPPON"	Middle of May.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE, COPEH, HAGEN and GOTENBURG	"PEKING"	On 17th May.

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AGAMEMNON, British str., 4,461, W. Robinson, 25th April—Liverpool 20th March, General Butterfield & Swire.	KIAO PING, Chinese str., 1,222, Udden, 21st April—Chinkiang 16th April, General-Chinese.
AKI MARU, Japanese str., 3,995, K. Sato, 18th April—Seattle 16th March, General-Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	KNOX, British str., 4,779, T. J. Jones, 24th April—Cardiff 16th Jan. and Bombay 6th April, Cotton, Twist and General—Peninsular Oriental S.N. Co.
ARABIA, German str., 4,438, Newmann, 21st April—Portland 20th March, Flour—P. & A. S.S. Co.	KUMSANG, British str., 2,977, E. J. Buller, 21st April—Calcutta 6th April, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
BUJUN MARU, Japanese str., 1,304, Y. Fuso, 24th April—Swatow 23rd April, General—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.	KWANGSI, British str., 1,228, Hards, 25th April—Weihaiwei 19th April, Salt—Butterfield & Swire.
CHONGSHING, British str., 1,255, V. M. Liddell, 23rd April—Tientsin 15th April, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.	LIANGCHOW, British str., 1,215, H. Harter, 25th April—Chinkiang 24th April, Beans and Rice—Butterfield & Swire.
CHUYEN, Chinese str., 1,177, C. Stewart, 25th April—Shanghai 21st April, General—C. M. S. N. Co.	LOOSON, German str., 1,020, G. Schultze, 20th April—Bangkok 12th and Swatow 19th April, Rice and Salt—Butterfield & Swire.
CHOWTAI, German str., 1,115, W. Moller, 25th April—Bangkok 18th April, Rice & Wood—Melchers & Co.	LOTHIAN, British str., 3,223, W. J. Lockhart, 17th April—Moji 12th April, Coal—Doddwell & Co.
DAIGO MARU, Japanese str., 846, H. Muraguma, 21st April—Tamsui 18th April, General—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.	MINNESOTA, American str., 13,323, C. Austin, 24th April—Seattle 20th March via Manila 22nd April, General—Great Northern S.S. Co.
DAIYA MARU, Japanese str., 1,735, Kobayashi, 21st April—Kuchino 16th April, Coal—Mitsui Bishi Goshi Kaisha.	NARSHAN, British str., 1,229, A. Jones, 24th April—Saigon 20th April, General—Bradley & Co.
DENBIGH HALL, British str., 3,211, 25th April—New York 26th Feb. and Dumban 30th March, Case Oil—Standard Oil & Co.	NICOINIA, German str., 4,375, H. Muller, 24th April—Shanghai 21st April, General—Hamburg-Amerika Linie.
DEUFAR, Norwegian str., 1,102, J. Bing, 22nd April—Chinkiang 17th April, General—Hamburg-Amerika Linie.	PECHABURI, German str., 2,100, C. Gosewisch, 24th April—Bangkok 18th April, General—N. D. L.
EMPRESS OF CHINA, British str., 3,046, R. Archibald, 16th April—Vancouver, B.C. 25th March, Mails and General—C. P. R. Co.	PHUMPHEN, British str., 1,056, Jas. H. Scott, 22nd April—Saigon 18th April, Rice and General—W. G. S. S. Co.
FOOCHOW, British str., 1,228, Vincent, 21st April—Wuhu 15th April, Rice—Butterfield & Swire.	PROTEUS, Norwegian str., 1,024, C. Moller, 19th April—Saigon 15th April, Rice—Aagaard, Thoresen & Co.
FOOSANG, British str., 1,987, G. Mitchell, 21st April—Moji 16th April, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.	RAJAH, German str., 1,075, Rehn, 17th April—Bangkok 7th April, Rice and Timber—Butterfield & Swire.
FOOSHING, British str., 1,235, T. H. Lishman, 23rd April—Wuhu and Chinkiang 19th April, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.	SCOTTISH MONARCH, British str., 3,266, Wm. Sibbald, 21st April—Tasmanian Ports 30th March, Railway sleepers—Doddwell & Co.
GERMANIA, German str., 1,713, C. Jurgensen, 25th April—Wuhu 20th April, Rice—Jensen & Co.	SELJA, Norwegian str., 2,789, Lea, 24th April—Portland 17th March, Timber—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
GRYFEVAL, British str., 1,979, Steel, 19th April—Port Komla 28th March, Coal—Aagaard, Thoresen & Co.	SHANTUNG, British str., 1,835, Robinson, 24th April—Hong Kong 24th April, General—Siberia, American str., 5,655, A. Zee, 21st April—San Francisco 26th March, Mails and General—P. M. S. Co.
HAILAR, French str., 377, O. A. Hoeg, 25th April—Hohow 23rd April, General and Pigs—A. B. Marty.	SIMONIAN, Dutch str., 1,202, H. Voss, 23rd April—Singapore 15th April, Sugar—Yuen Fat Hong.
HAIYANG, British str., 1,362, Hodgins, 25th April—Swatow 24th April, General—Douglas, Lapraik & Co.	SINGAN, British str., 1,047, F. Jamieson, 25th April—Haiphong 23rd and Hothow 24th April, General—Butterfield & Swire.
HALDIA, Norwegian str., 1,165, Polberg, 20th April—Saigon 16th April, Rice—Order.	TAIWAN, British str., 1,092, F. C. Everett, 19th April—Newchwang, Dairen & Chefoo 15th April, General—Chinese.
HEUNG SHAN, Chinese str., 890, May, 24th April—Kobau Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.	TAMING, British str., 1,350, A. Sommer, 23rd April—Manila 20th April, General—Butterfield & Swire.
INDIAN MONARCH, British str., 2,818, Darkers, 23rd April—Newcastle 1st April, General—Shewan, Tomes & Co.	TELEMACHUS, British str., 1,340, G. Edwards, 24th April—Saigon 10th April, Rice and General—Chinese.
JACOB DIEDERICHSEN, Ger. str., 632, Hansen, 24th April—Swatow 23rd April, General—Jensen & Co.	TONGSHING, British str., 1,772, W. Stalker, 24th April—Wuhu and Chinkiang 20th April, Rice and Groundnut—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
KEENUX, British str., 5,867, R. Comodi, 20th April—Tacoma via Victoria and Japan 24th March, Flour, Lumber, Salt, Herring—Butterfield & Swire.	YINGCHOW, British str., 1,215, W. Fraser, 22nd April—Weihaiwei 16th April, Salt—Butterfield & Swire.
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